

# The Miami Chief.

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## New Buildings Complete

The many new buildings we have had built in Miami the last few months are now about all completed. We trust that our streets will soon be cleaned up and our town put in a little better condition.

Locke Bros. new garage has been fully completed and accepted, giving them 50x100 feet of fine floor space in their new garage.

The Christopher building has been accepted and fully occupied. The Muncy Racket store is occupying the lower floor, the Telephone office, Christopher Bros. and Holmes and Coffee occupy the upper floor.

Mrs. Katie Joiner has accepted her building and occupied same.

The Odd Fellows hall has been completed and accepted, they had their first meeting in their new home Tuesday night. The hall is modern in every way, built especially for the work and quite a few of the other lodges have rented nights in the new hall. They also have two nice office rooms in front which they will rent.

The new \$8,000. Baptist church is practically complete. It is a very fine structure and seats will soon be installed and the church will begin work in their new home about Feb 1st.

The J. M. Smith building will likely be completed this week and occupied Feb. 1st.

Chasum's garage has been completed and they are now occupying it.

Our little town certainly had the building spirit last year. We built more good substantial buildings last year than any other town in the Panhandle.

Let the good work keep up. We already have a fine town and country, and what we need now is more people. There are many good people who are looking for good locations like we have it is up to us to see that they find this town and county and it is properly advertised to them.

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## Over The Plains

Mr. Lee Callihan of Panhandle died at his home there last Tuesday. He was one of the oldest settlers of the county.

Miss June Bennifield and Mr. Leslie Wood, popular young people of Panhandle, were married there last Sunday.

The Canyon Normal is working to get railroad rates to their students on their way to and from school.

We see from the Glazier Review where J. A. Poole a well known man of Miami, is having a modern eleven room concrete home built on his ranch over in Hutchinson county.

Lockney is boasting of the fact that they are to have some new brick buildings soon.

The Tempo Trio played Lockney the first three nights last three nights last week with very appreciative audiences.

Miss Elizabeth King of Vega, died at her mothers home there last week. She was 60 years old and her death was caused by LaGrippe.

The Pampa News reported three weddings there last week, and among them we note Mr. Tom Bunting and Miss Grace King. These people are both well known here and have a host of friends who extend their heartiest congratulations.

Lipscomb has an election ordered whereby she intends to stop the running of livestock on the streets.

Mr. Paul McMeans and Miss Jewel Crim were married at Shamrock last week.

Mrs. W. F. Peugh of Higgins died at her home there last Thursday.

## Home Science Club

An erroneous idea has gotten about to the effect that the Home Science Club has disbanded for the winter. On account of sickness the press reporter has failed to report, but regular meetings have been held all the time.

At the last meeting considerable business was transacted. The main thing was a pledging of \$40. for a "nest egg" of the \$500 which the club expects to raise by next fall for the installment of a Home Science Department in our public school. The state gives \$500. when the Club gets \$500. The Club expects to raise the money, install the department and be ready to start Sept 1st.

It was also voted to have a bazaar just before Easter, for this movement. We also voted to have an open program of our club on Jan. 27 with Mrs. N. S. Locke, each member is to invite a guest and Economic refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Ben Talley was hostess for this meeting and Mrs. Giblette was club guest.

## Demonstration Work in

### Tick Education

Washington, D. C.

As a result of 10 years experience in tick eradication, the officials in charge of the campaign are convinced that the hearty co-operation of the people is absolutely essential. The Department of Agriculture men in the field, therefore have been warned of the danger of beginning systematic work in any county before public opinion is ready to lend vigorous support to the enterprise. It frequently happens that a few farmers in each county are interested in tick eradication, while some are hostile. In a number of instances tick eradication has been begun under these circumstances and such after 2 or 3 years has made it necessary to draw the Federal men from the field on account of great indifference. To make a success of eradication, all cattle in the county must be dipped regularly. In practice, this is only possible when the people favor it enough to enforce regulations.

The next step is to arrange for practical demonstrations of dipping. Since the Federal department has no funds at its disposal for the purpose, the construction of demonstration vats is undertaken either by the local authorities or by one or more public spirited and progressive stock owners. The cost of building a vat is comparatively small, and it has been found that these practical demonstrations are by far the most effective method of convincing farmers that the tick can be eradicated without any injury whatsoever to live stock. As soon as the vats are built, a number of demonstration should be held in order to give all the people of the county an opportunity to see for themselves that dipping does no injury to cattle. It is believed in some sections that dipping poisons cattle and dries up milk cows. This idea may be dispelled if cattle are held on exhibition a few days.

After a series of such demonstrations, meetings of farmers are held and the benefit of tick eradication explained. Ordinarily these meetings lead to live stock associations in the county. It is customary to apply to the County Board for material for the vat and chemicals for baths. Until something similar to this is made and so cattle will not have to be driven too far, it is of not much use to undertake the tick eradication. In most instances it is put to a vote in the county before undertaken.

Systematic eradication work means the dipping of all cattle in the county every 14 days in a standard arencial solution. If this regulation is rigidly enforced, one season should see the elimination of ticks and the freeing of the county from quarantine. Every dipping should be supervised by regularly appointed inspectors and solution should be made of standard strength and tested every time the vat is used. Special care should be taken to get every cow in the county because one could cause much trouble.

This is true a great inconvenience to cattlemen, but as has been said it is essential that the public sentiment favors it and can be brought to a point where they are willing to put up with all these inconveniences. The free use of the free vats will do a great deal toward tick eradication.

## Lyceum Notice

The Lyceum committee is sorry to announce that owing to the serious illness of Miss Buckley she will not be able to fill her date here on the 22nd as was previously announced. This will no doubt be a disappointment to most of us as we were anxiously looking forward to this attraction, but the company furnishing our course has advised us that in order to supply this vacancy they can give us the McCords for March 30, a company of two people giving a musical and entertaining program. This company is a much higher price attraction than was Miss Buckley, but owing to the latter's illness, the bureau advises that they will furnish the McCords at the same price we were to pay for Miss Buckley.

Our next entertainment will be Feb 4th at which time we will have the Old Home Singers, a company of five people. This will be the best attraction for the season and this entertainment for the season and this company alone will cost the committee \$125. so it is very necessary that we have a full house or else the members of the committee individually will have to make good any deficiency to meet the contract price.

J. A. Holmes, Mgr.

## New Sidewalk

The Santa Fee this week are having a brand new sidewalk put from the depot to the depot platform. The walk is a brick, six feet wide with an extra heavy foundation. The town thanks the railroad very much for their improvement to their property.

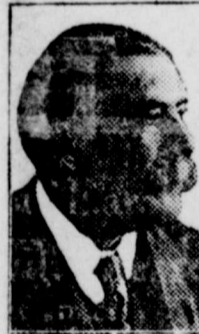
## The Weather

Our atmospheric conditions this week have been rather peculiar. We have had several zero nights with threatening rain or snow, but neither have reached us. All the lakes in the country have been frozen and the young people are taking advantage of the nice skating.

## OUR PUBLIC FORUM

### E. P. Ripley

On Relation of Railroads and People.



The industrial leaders of this nation are talking to the public face to face through the columns of this paper. The time was when if a corporation had anything to say to the people they sent a hired hand, whispered it through a lawyer or employed a lobbyist to explain it to the legislature, but the men who know and the men who do are now talking over the fence to the man who plows.

When the leading business men of this nation get "back to the soil" with their problems, strife and dissension will disappear, for when men look into each other's faces and smile there is a better day coming.

Mr. E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe Railroad, when asked to give his views in reference to relations existing between the railroad and the public said in part:

"Frequently we hear statements to the effect that these relations are improving, that the era of railroad baiting has passed and that public sentiment now favors treating the railroads fairly. As yet this change in public sentiment, if any such there be, is not effective in results.

It is true that in the legislatures of the southwestern states during the past winter there were fewer unreasonable and unreasoning laws passed than usual, but a consideration of the hostile bills introduced shows that there is still reason for much disquiet even though they were defeated by more or less of a majority.

Moreover, the idea that the railroads have been harshly treated does not seem to prevail in the offices of the State Railroad Commissions which seem to cherish a notion that their business is not to act as an arbitrator between the railroads and the people, but which proceed on the theory that the railroads are able to take care of themselves and that their duty is to act as attorney for the people even though in so doing they deny justice to the railroads. It requires no argument to demonstrate that the railroads are entitled to justice equally with other citizens and taxpayers. That they have not received it and are not receiving it is perfectly susceptible of proof. That they have practically no recourse in the courts has also been determined.

The situation therefore is that the people, through their representatives, must elect whether the services of the railroads shall be adequately compensated or not; and it requires no fortune teller or soothsayer to predict that in the long run the service will take the class that is paid for and no better.

The natural competition between the railroads and the natural desire to perform first-class service has heretofore resulted in giving the public much more than it was willing to pay for. Continuation of this will be impossible and no laws, however drastic, can long accomplish the impossible."

Fresh supply of Heinz sweet, sour and dill pickels, some oyster dressing

STUDERS BREAD. We are now handling the good full weight, both 5 and 10c loaves.

We keep the highest quality of goods we can handle and appreciate your patronage.

Kraut, Vinegar, Plumb pudding, mince meat. The very best line of meats.

Pure Home Made Sorghum

HERBERT C. HILL  
"Treating the people square"

## Watch for Icebergs

The world learned a terrible lesson when the Titanic went down after striking an iceberg in the North Atlantic a few years ago. And today the U. S. has scout ships constantly patrolling the ice fields and warning transoceanic liners. Read our descriptive article on the subject in this issue of the Chief.

## Aged Lady Passes Away

Mrs. D. F. Kivlehen died at her home in Miami Tuesday evening of this week at 6:15. She has been troubled for some time with heart failure and for the past week or more she was confined to her bed.

Mrs. Kivlehen was born in 1842 in Ireland and came to the United States in 1863 and was married in New York. She has lived in Miami 20 years, and leaves five children living, Mrs. Katie Joiner and Dan Kivlehen of Miami, Jimmie Kivlehen of Edmond, Okla. Mrs. Mayme Calbreath of Tulsa, Okla. and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Florence Kivlehen of Edmond, Okla., all of whom were present when the end came. Mrs. Kivlehen was a member of the Catholic Church.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the residence by Bro. Whately, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Miami Cemetery.

Our sympathy with that of the many friends is extended to the bereaved family of children and relatives.

## THE BALL OF FIRE

HISTORY of a financial wizard, a man who dominated the wealthiest and most powerful men of Gotham, but who failed in his greatest desire.

## THE BALL OF FIRE

By George Randolph Chester, author of "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford," and his wife, Lillian Chester. A gripping tale of love and high finance. Be sure to read our new serial.

## THE BALL OF FIRE

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Two sizes Safety deposit boxes \$1.00 and \$1.50

Protect Your Valuables

THE First State Bank



## The Earning Period of A Man's Life is His HARVEST TIME

Life's winter will soon overtake you. Are you wasting the fruits of your harvest? Will the storms of old age find you with just an empty granary.

Let this bank be your granary and you will reap a harvest of golden grains.

"Make Hay while the sun shines"

Start an account with us today and keep safe your industry

THE BANK OF MIAMI

(Incorporated)

Roberts County Depository



### Glass of Hot Water Before Breakfast a Splendid Habit

Open sluices of the system each morning and wash away the poisonous, stagnant matter.

Those of us who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when we arise; splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, lame back, can, instead, both look and feel as fresh as a daisy always by washing the poisons and toxins from the body with phosphated hot water each morning.

We should drink, before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to flush from the stomach, liver, kidneys and ten yards of bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach.

The action of limestone phosphate and hot water on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast and it is said to be but a little while until the roses begin to appear in the cheeks. A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will cost very little at your druggist or from the store, but is sufficient to make anyone who is bothered with biliousness, constipation, stomach trouble or rheumatism a real enthusiast on the subject of internal sanitation. Try it and you are assured that you will look better and feel better in every way shortly.—Adv.

People appreciate things they can't afford.

### THIS IS THE AGE OF YOUTH.

You will look ten years younger if you darken your ugly, grizzly, gray hairs by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing.—Adv.

### Retort.

An English bank clerk, who imagined that no one was as clever as he, was recently on a visit to the south of Ireland. It was this young man's greatest pleasure to hold up the "natives" to ridicule on every possible occasion. One morning when he was out for a stroll with some of his friends he met a boy leading a very thin horse along the road and called out:

"Say, Pat, why don't you get inside and fill him out?"

"I would, sir," said Pat, "if his mouth was as big as yours."—Exchange.

### Slightly Embarrassing.

The public is invited to sympathize with a quiet and retiring citizen who occupied a seat near the door of a crowded street car, when a masterful woman entered. Having a newspaper behind which to hide, he was fixed and subjugated by her glittering eye. He rose and offered his place to her.

Seating herself—without thanking him—she exclaimed in tones that reached to the farthest end of the car: "What do you want to stand up there for? Come here and sit on my lap."

"Madam," gasped the man, as his face became scarlet, "I fear I am not deserving of such an honor."

"What do you mean?" shrieked the woman. "You know very well I was speaking to my niece there behind you."—Pathfinder.

### PRESSED HARD Coffee's Weight on Old Age.

When people realize the injurious effects of coffee and the better health that a change to Postum can bring, they are usually glad to lend their testimony for the benefit of others.

"My mother, since her early childhood, was an inveterate coffee drinker, had been troubled with her heart for a number of years and complained of that 'weak-all-over' feeling and sick stomach."

"Some time ago I was making a visit to a distant part of the country and took dinner with one of the merchants of the place. I noticed a somewhat unusual flavor of the 'coffee' and asked him concerning it. He replied that it was Postum.

"I was so pleased with it that I bought a package to carry some with me, and had wife prepare some for the next meal. The whole family liked it so well that we discontinued coffee and used Postum entirely.

"I had been very anxious concerning my mother's condition, but we noticed that after using Postum for a short time she felt much better, had little trouble with her heart, and no sick stomach; that the headaches were not so frequent, and her general condition much improved. This continued until she was well and hearty.

"I know Postum has benefited myself and the other members of the family, especially my mother, as she was a victim of long standing." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Postum comes in two forms: Postum Cereal—the original form—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c packages.

Instant Postum—a soluble powder—dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water, and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 30c and 50c tins.

Both kinds are equally delicious and cost about the same per cup. "There's a Reason" for Postum.

—sold by Grocers.

## SUPERIOR TYPE OF HOGHOUSE

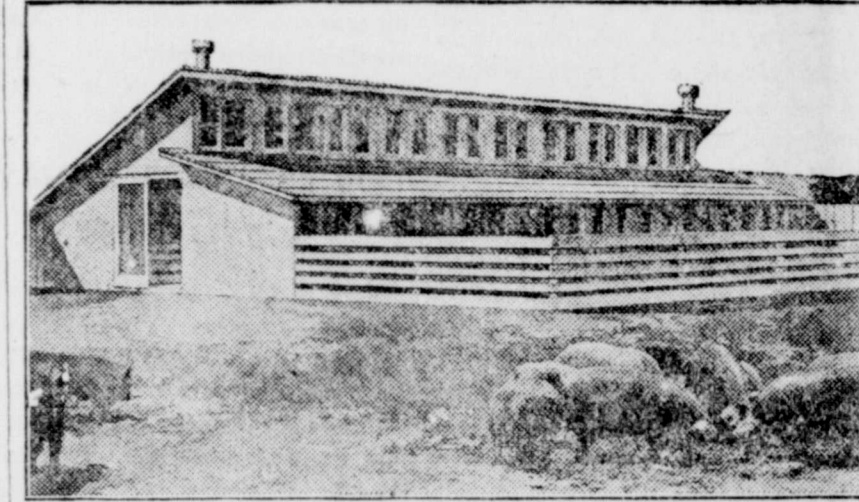
So Designed as to Admit Sunshine Into Every Part of the Structure.

### WOOD FLOOR ON CONCRETE

Construction Such That This May Easily Be Taken Up for Purposes of Cleaning—Special Feeding Devices Make for Comfort of the Animals.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD. Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 187 Prairie avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

Sunshine is one of the most important features of a hoghouse. If hogs are to be raised with profit their living quarters must be kept in the best possible sanitary conditions. The best way to secure such conditions is by having plenty of sunlight in all parts of the house. For this reason the hoghouse should be faced toward the south. Simply facing it in this direction, however, has no effect on the back part of the house. Various devices have been perfected to get the sunlight into this part of the house



and the most successful is shown in the illustration. The roof is made in what is known as saw-tooth style. In this way the sunlight is admitted to the back corners of the house and will assist materially in keeping the floors clean and in good sanitary condition.

The floor, foundations, and walls are made of concrete. In the pens a wooden, movable floor is placed so that the hogs will not have to lie on the concrete. The floors can be easily taken up so that cleaning is not interfered with in any way. The movable floor is made of 2 by 4's spaced one-fourth inch apart. Another 2 by 4 is nailed under the floor at the ends and a 1 by 3 is placed over the floor at the ends. These planks hold the floor together so that it can be removed at one piece.

The floor of the feeding pen can also be made of concrete, but a very lean mixture can be used for this purpose. Bank-run gravel can be used, and the floor should be divided into slabs as in sidewalk work, as the contraction and expansion will cause the concrete to crack unless some sort of joints are provided. In handling this kind of concrete plenty of water

ing fronts so that the hogs can be readily transferred from one pen to another. The pens are also equipped with removable partitions so that the size of the various pens can be changed readily. The small pen doors that lead out into the yard can be closed so as to be almost airtight. The house can thus be kept warm in very cold weather. The warmth of the hogs will keep the temperature almost uniform all the time. Ventilation is taken care of by the two small ventilators placed on the roof, one at each end.

The feed carrier and the litter carriers are both handled on one track that runs down between the two rows of pens. This concentrates all the work in one alley, which simplifies the handling of the work to a large extent.

The fences that divide up the outside pens are placed two inches above the concrete, so that the cleaning can be taken care of. The yard can be placed on a slight slope and the manure can then conveniently be scraped toward the lower corner. A pit can be dug for the manure spreader at this corner so that the loading will be easy or it can be driven up to the corner and filled in the usual way.

Hogs should be kept out of doors as much as possible, so that the hoghouse will not be used except in winter and during cold rains. Do not get the idea that it is not necessary because it is not used all the time. When the hoghouse is wanted there is nothing that will take its place. This is especially true at farrowing time, when the sows must be kept warm and comfortable.

The upper row of sash that furnishes the light for the back part of the house is pivoted about its center so that it can be swung open when the weather permits. The roof is made

### BEST SOILS FOR DRY FARMS

Silts and Sandy Loams Do Not Blow Readily and They Absorb and Retain Moisture Well.

(By ALVIN KESER, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.) The best soil for nonirrigated farming are silts and sandy loams, as they do not readily blow, they absorb rainfall readily and retain it well. They do not bake and crack easily. Heavier soils such as the clays and adobes are more difficult to work and require more effort to prepare and keep them in shape for the retention and reception of moisture.

No matter what the texture, the soil must be deep and uniform. A soil consisting of a sandy loam or silt surface, over a permeable clay subsoil, is good, but a layer of sand, gravel, magnesia, gypsum, hardpan or porous rock in the subsoil, closer than six feet to the surface, practically makes the field unfit for this purpose. One foot depth of soil will rarely store more than one and one-half or two inches of rainfall or water. Six feet of soil will not store over twelve inches of rainfall.

A soil which will not store a considerable number of inches of rain fall will not stand long, dry spells and these are expected to occur in nonirrigated regions.

### COVER FOR THE STRAWBERRY

Mulch Needed to Prevent Damage From Alternate Thawing and Freezing and Winter Drought.

Covering strawberry plants is always essential in the semi-arid climate. Among the materials suitable for the purpose are straw, sough-grass, sorghum, alfalfa, leaves, corn stalks, manure, etc. The most satisfactory covering is clean straw and wheat or rye straw is more satisfactory than oat straw. Be sure that it is free from the seeds of troublesome weeds. A fine and clean-kept berry bed is often made foul by having weed seed planted in it from the winter covering.

Sough hay makes a very satisfactory covering when it may be had, but as it is rather coarse and is apt to give trouble it is hardly as desirable as straw. In many localities where neither straw nor sough grass may be obtained in sufficient quantities, sorghum and corn are often used.

Protection is needed for two purposes. The first is to prevent killing by excessive freezing. This is not the principal one in this country, however, as special attention is needed to prevent loss or damage from the alternate freezing and thawing as well as the winter drought.

### INSURE ROTTING OF MANURE

To Keep Up the Fertility of the Dry Soils, More Humus-Producing Crops Must Be Grown.

Many years in the dry region of the West there is too little rainfall to insure thorough rotting of the manure. This of course means that in the drier years the manured soils will dry out badly, causing the crops to die from drought. If the vegetable matter of the manure has been rotted sufficiently to produce humus the soil is all the better able to resist the dry period.

To keep up the fertility and drought-resisting quality of our dry soils it is necessary to grow crops which produce more humus than they consume. The grasses, alfalfa, and sweet clover are such crops. What barnyard manure is produced can be more profitably used as a top dressing for these crops. This can be accompanied by a system of crop rotation, in which grasses, alfalfa or peas alternate, as pastures or meadows with the cultivated crops.

### MANY BENEFITS OF PLOWING

Stirs Surface of Soil Thoroughly and Puts it in Condition to Catch Any Rain That Comes.

From tests that have been made plowing has been better for storing moisture than disking. If heavy rains fall the increase in moisture content of plowed land over disked land is greater. This is to be expected, since the plowing stirs the surface of the soil more thoroughly, and puts it in better condition to catch any rain that comes. The plowing also will kill all weeds.

The disk does not in all cases do this. It may be preferable—if a soil does not blow when it is fall plowed—to plow the stubble fields instead of disking them. This, however, is frequently impracticable, due to the dryness of the soil. Listing the soil has been almost as good as plowing. We have not, however, made many tests to determine the effect of listing.—Nebraska Station.

### Heel In Fruit Trees.

Fall delivery of fruit trees is not to be advised in the Northwest, but if you have purchased some, heel them in carefully over winter. Take the trees out of the bundles and cover them in a trench, tops and all, with earth, and then spread a good mulch of straw all over them.

### Snow Traps Save Moisture.

If the farm fields were surrounded with snow traps much moisture would be saved to the soil that is now largely wasted.

### Ventilate the Stable.

Horse stables should have good ventilation and be dry. Small, dark damp stalls full of smells cause all sorts of sickness, and often blindness

### SOAP IS STRONGLY ALKALINE and constant use will burn out the scalp. Cleanse the scalp by shampooing with "La Creole" Hair Dressing, and darken, in the natural way, those ugly, grizzly hairs. Price, \$1.00.—Adv.

Possibly the wisdom of man may surpass that of woman, but when it comes to tact—well, he isn't in it.

Not Gray Hairs but Tired Eyes. Keep your eyes older than we are. Keep your eyes young and you will look young. After the Moxies Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, Sends Eye Book on request.

Some men are as proud of their ancestors as a self-made man is of himself.

For sprains and bruises apply Hanford's Balsam thoroughly. Put it on, and rub it in. Adv.

The moral of a dog's tail always points to the past.

One remedy with many uses—Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh. Adv.

Try lemon and salt for ink stains on the fingers.

**Makes The Appetite Keen Aids Digestion Keeps the Liver & Bowels Active Promotes Health HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters**

**CASTORIA For Infants and Children. Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fitcher. In Use For Over Thirty Years. CASTORIA**

The man who thinks funny thoughts without expressing them is the worst kind of a pessimist.

### "Money Back" Medicine.

Our readers never risk a cent when they buy Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh because every dealer in this liniment is authorized to refund the money if the Balsam is not satisfactory. Adv.

When it comes to drawing conclusions all women are natural born artists.

### WHY "ANURIC" IS AN INSURANCE AGAINST SUDDEN DEATH!

Sufferers from Backache, Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble

Before an Insurance Company will take a risk on your life the examining physician will test the urine and report whether you are a good risk. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog, you suffer from backache, sick-headache, dizzy spells, or the twinges and pains of lumbago, rheumatism and gout. The urine is often cloudy, full of sediment; channels often get sore and sleep is disturbed two or three times a night. This is the time you should consult some physician of wide experience—such as Dr. Pierce, of the "Invalide" Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. Send him 10 cents for sample package of his new discovery—"Anuric." Write him your symptoms and send a sample of urine for test.

Some men want to make hay in February and cut ice in August.

### To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. If you give refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

Flattery is the stuff dished out to other people—never to us.

To quickly cool burns and take the fire out use Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Rome burned for eight days.

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How Mrs. Kelly Suffered and How She was Cured.

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This good old root and herb remedy has proved unequalled for these dreadful ills; it contains what is needed to restore woman's health and strength.

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No sick headache, sour stomach, biliousness or constipation by morning.

Get a 10-cent box now. Turn the rascals out—the headache, biliousness, indigestion, the sick, sour stomach and foul gases—turn them out to-night and keep them out with Cascarets.

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A bad back makes a day's work twice as hard. Backache usually comes from weak kidneys, and if headaches, dizziness or urinary disorders are added, don't wait—get help before the kidney disease takes a grip—before dropsy, gravel or Bright's disease sets in. Doan's Kidney Pills have brought new life and new strength to thousands of working men and women. Used and recommended the world over.

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IS CHILD CROSS, FEVERISH, SICK

Look, Mother! If tongue is coated, give "California Syrup of Figs."

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely. A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomachache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

The Reason. "What is Jack Summers fretting about?" "Afraid his wife can come back."

IMPORTANT THAT PUBLIC SHOULD KNOW ABOUT GREAT KIDNEY REMEDY

The testimonial I am to give you comes unolicited. I have been suffering from lumbago for ten years and at times was unable to stand erect. A Mr. Dean of this city, saw me in my condition (bent over) and inquired the cause. I told him that I had the lumbago. He replied, "If you get what I tell you to, you need not have it." I said I would take anything for ease. He said, "You get two bottles of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root and take it, and if it does not fix you, O. K. I will pay for the medicine myself." I did so and am a well man. For five months I have been as well as could be. Before I took your Swamp-Root was in constant pain day and night. This may look like advertising, but it seems to me most important that the public should be made familiar with this treatment as it is the only one I know which is an absolute cure. I owe a great deal to Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and am anxious that others situated as I was should know and take advantage of it. Hoping that this testimonial may be of benefit to some one, I am,

J. A. HOWLAND, 1734 Humboldt St., Denver, Colo. State of Colorado, City and County of Denver.

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the city and county of the State of Colorado, J. A. Howland, known to me as the person whose name is subscribed to the above statement and upon his oath declares that it is a true and correct statement.

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Both Uncertain. "What's the difference between plain bridge and auction bridge?" "About a hundred dollars an hour."

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Cuticura Soap is Best Because So Soothing and Cooling. Trial Free. If baby is troubled with rashes, eczemas, itchings, chaffings or hot, irritated skin follow Cuticura Soap bath with light application of Cuticura Ointment to the affected part. Nothing so soothing, cooling and refreshing when he is fretful and sleepless.

Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

The man who steals a kiss without first warning the girl misses the best part of it.

To Fortify the System Against Winter Cold. Many users of GROVE'S TASTELSS CHILD TONIC make it a practice to take a number of bottles in the fall to strengthen and fortify the system against the cold weather during the winter. Everyone knows the tonic effect of Quinine and Iron which this preparation contains in a tasteful and acceptable form. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. 50c.

To give plaster casts an alabaster effect dip them into a strong solution of alum water.

PREPAREDNESS. Prepare for next washday by taking home Red Cross Ball Blue. Ask any good grocer. Red Cross Ball Blue imparts a clear white; makes you smile when you see the basket of beautiful, snowy white clothes. Red Cross, the blue that's true blue.—Adv.

Occasionally one woman leads a man, but more often a dozen chase him.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR. To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any drug store can put this up or you can mix it at a cost but a few cents. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair and remove dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.—Adv.

Men learn more as they grow older, but it is of less importance.

U. S. TROOPS HELP CAPTURE BANDITS

AMERICAN CAVALRY ASSISTED CARRANZA'S TROOPS BY PREVENTING ESCAPE.

THEY TRIED TO CROSS BOUNDARY LINE

Two Villistas Are Caught and Executed—American Government Discovers That Murdered Miners Had Assurances From Carranza.

El Paso, Jan. 18.—Soldiers of the Thirteenth United States cavalry aided Carranza men to capture Colonel Manuel Baca-Valles and Lieutenant Colonel Enrique Cisneros, Villa bandit leaders, according to reports here tonight by Brigadier General John P. Uershing.

Baca-Valles and Cisneros later were executed. The capture occurred 14 miles west of Columbus, N. Mex., and at a point below the border, but it was denied that American soldiers had crossed into Mexico. They simply prevented the two men from crossing the international border, it was said. The capture was effected last Friday and the men executed the following day.

Douglas, Ariz., Jan. 18.—The state department at Washington has denied a request of the de facto Mexican government that 600 cavalry troops be permitted to cross United States territory from Naco, Ariz., to El Paso to aid in running down bandits in the state of Chihuahua. It was announced here today by Ives G. Leliver, Mexican consul. The refusal, he said, was based on the excited condition of residents in El Paso.

Nuevo Laredo, Mex., Jan. 18.—General Juan Canchez Ozcara, Venustiano Carranza's financial agent in Paris, has joined the first chief of the Mexican de facto government at Celaya, state of Guanajuato, where Carranza is spending a few days surrounded by a number of his generals. It is understood here four hundred cases of typhus have developed at Queretaro, which probably caused General Carranza to remove to Celaya.

PEACE TERMS ARE ACCEPTED

London, Jan. 18.—Reset on the north, east and west by Austro-Hungarian armies and with all lines of retreat cut off except into Albania, where hostile tribesmen must be faced, Montenegro has asked Austro-Hungary for peace and her request has been granted. The unconditional laying down of arms by Montenegro was made the basis of the opening of peace negotiations, and Montenegro accepted the terms imposed by the dual monarchy.

This announcement was made to the Hungarian parliament by Premier Tisza, and it met with an ovation on the part of the members of the chamber. Thus comes the first withdrawal of any belligerent from either of the alliances that have been fighting with each other since August, 1914.

It has been conceded for two days that the situation of Montenegro was a critical one. Although the army of the little kingdom fought valiantly against the Austro-Hungarians, it was unequal because of inferior forces, lack of guns, and it has been stated, a shortage in commissariat supplies. The task of holding back the armies that had, in conjunction with their allies, succeeded in crushing Serbia.

OKLAHOMA TOWN IS BURNED

Wirt Has Worst Fire in Its History—1,000 Persons Homeless. Oklahoma City, Jan. 18.—Fire originating in a tailor shop destroyed the entire town of Wirt, Okla., located west of Ardmore, in the Healdton oil field, rendering 800 to 1,000 persons homeless, according to a report received here tonight from a committee of that town. The fire started at 11:30 Monday morning. While the buildings were burning Buck Roberts shot and probably wounded Jonas Forshee. The two men quarreled about whether a building threatened by the flames should be razed.

In the exchange of pistol shots between the two men Forshee was shot beneath the heart. He has been taken to Ardmore to a hospital. Roberts was arrested.

The fire has rendered about 1,000 persons without shelter. The majority of the homeless persons are men, employed in the oil fields. Five hundred cots have been ordered for the destitute. There are about 200 women and children among those deprived of shelter. The women and children are being cared for, as far as possible, in residences and tents.

Not Again Through Germany. The Hague, via London, Jan. 18.—Germany's refusal to permit members of the Ford permanent peace board to travel through German territory to Scandinavia has temporarily halted the board's peace plans. The members of the board today selected Stockholm for its regular meeting place, but so far appeals to the German minister at The Hague and also to Berlin foreign office for permission to cross Germany again have been denied.

WOMAN'S CROWNING GLORY

In her hair. If yours is streaked with ugly, grizzly, gray hairs, use "La Creole" Hair Dressing and change it in the natural way. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Just One Glance. Phyllis—She married for money. Maude—How do you know? Phyllis—I've seen him.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PAGO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. First application gives relief. 50c.

Does Yours? "I wish you wouldn't contradict me, my dear." "I don't!"

IMITATION IS SINCEREST FLATTERY but like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Darkens your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Its Aspect. "What do you think of this idea of equine steak for dinner?" "Well, that's a horse on me."

SAVED MINISTER'S LIFE. Rev. W. H. Warner, Frederick, Md., writes: "My trouble was Sclatonia. My back was affected and took the form of Lumbago. I also had Neuralgia, cramps in my muscles, pressure or sharp pain on the top of my head and nervous dizziness. I had other symptoms showing that my kidneys were at fault, so I took Dodd's Kidney Pills. They were the means of saving my life."

Dodd's Kidney Pills, 50c per box at your dealer, or Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets for Indigestion have been proved, 50c per box. Write for Household Hints, also music of National Anthem (English and German words) and recipes for dainty dishes. All 3 sent free.—Adv.

Wife Beats Talking Machine. A talking machine isn't in it with a wife—and that's not intended for a joke, either—it was proved by a decision handed down in the New York supreme court. A woman suing for separation on the grounds of desertion also demanded alimony. The husband strenuously objected to the alimony on the ground that he had purchased a talking machine and was very heavily involved in trying to meet payments on it. The justice declared that a wife came first. He ordered the defendant to get rid of his canned music, if necessary, or in any event to pay his wife alimony.

Good Guess. "What sort of play is this we are about to see?" "I can give you some idea of it. The first act shows the heroine in negligence, smoking a cigarette and reading a novel as she reclines in her boudoir." "Say no more. It's an adaptation from the French of somebody or other."

She Was Right. Fortune Teller—You will marry a light man. Woman—That's Tim! He works for the gas company.—Harvard Lampoon.

If some men possessed a clear title to a mansion in the sky the first thing they would do would be to mortgage it.

Oh! You Good Housewife Cut Out This Coupon and Mail It Now. Skinner Mfg. Co., Dept. E, Omaha, Neb. Please send me full information how I can obtain Oneida Community Par Plate Silverware by saving the trade-mark signatures from Skinner's Macaroni Products.

We will tell you how we send you a complete set of Oneida Community Par Plate Silverware FREE with SKINNER'S Macaroni Products. Guaranteed ten years. Bridal Wreath pattern. Learn all about this grand offer and about the Nine Kinds of Macaroni Products: Macaroni Spaghetti, Egg Noodles, Cut Macaroni, Cut Spaghetti, Elbows, Soup Rings, Alphabets, Vermicelli. Skinner Manufacturing Co. The Largest Macaroni Factory in America. Dept. E, Omaha, Neb.

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ADVANTAGE OF THE HORSE. At Least There Was One Thing in Which Equine "Had One on" the Automobile. They were speaking of the love that some people have for the old-fashioned when Congressman Harry H. Dale of New York was reminded of the following appropriate incident:

A farmer who lives in one of the back counties was approached by an automobile salesman, but the eloquent handed out made no impression on Uncle Josh.

"Nothin' doin', mister," he said, with an air of finality. "Ye can't beat the hoss with one o' them things. The hoss has the advantage every time."

"You said that before," responded the salesman. "In what particular do you think the horse has the advantage?"

"Wal," returned Uncle Josh "when a hoss dies ye kin skin an' git a dollar for the hide."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Pathetic. "Don't you think it is extravagant to think of giving that record egg-laying hen a diamond engagement ring as they did in Philadelphia?" "I think it an outrage when so many other 'chickens' have to do without diamond ones."

Close Figuring. Boarding-house Keeper—Susan, will the strawberries go around? Susan (the servant)—Hardly, num; there's one strawberry short.

Rare Poise. "Incalculable wealth is represented by the men seated around that table." "Astonishing!" "However, I can't help admiring the sang-froid of the head waiter who is looking after the details of the banquet." "Yes?" "He couldn't be more condescending if he were the representative of a foreign government here to borrow a billion or two."

Intensely Practical. "What is your idea of a practical philanthropist?" "There are various types of practical philanthropists." "Yes?" "For instance, there is the sort of man who offers to give a starving family a pound of butter if they'll provide the bread."

This Investment Pays Health Dividends —And it's handy at your Grocer's. The average man or woman seldom considers health value seriously until doctor bills have to be paid. If asked the cause of most physical ills, the majority of doctors would likely say, "wrong living," which includes wrong eating—food that is lacking in certain elements essential to health. The famous pure food— Grape-Nuts is made of whole wheat and malted barley, and supplies all the rich nutriment of the grains, scientifically processed to retain their mineral values—phosphate of potash, etc.—so necessary in the balanced upkeep of every part of the body. Grape-Nuts is ready to eat direct from the package; is easy to digest; has delicious flavour, and with cream or good milk is a well-balanced food. Health from right living is the finest possible dividend, and to those who have it all things are possible. "There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts Sold by Grocers everywhere.



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We won't harm your doctor, others do when they fill a prescription by substitution and low strength drugs, it reflects upon the doctor. He is the sufferer; that's the reason the doctors write their prescriptions on our store. When they overlook this item, don't you. Bring your prescriptions for us to fill.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary July 22, 1916.

For District Judge:

W. R. Ewing

For District Attorney:

J. A. Holmes.

For County Judge:

J. E. Kinney

For County Clerk:

M. M. Craig, Jr.

W. S. Martin

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

O. B. Haroin

E. M. McCracken

For Tax Assessor:

H. M. Anderson

S. E. Fitzgerald

For County Treasurer:

Dan Kivlehen

Keep right on dodging that grouch.

Begin saving today for your next Christmas shopping.

What we don't go after, we seldom get.

Talk is cheap--if you can beat the lawyer out of his fee.

Speak up. What shall we do with our grouches

A dog and a dude make an interesting combination of something and nothing.

The new year brings us at least one relief, it is easier to make a 6 than a five.

Why smile at the woman who wears the pants? Quite often she earns them before she wears them.

This is the season when the weather might be a little more seasonable.

The wise man sees, hears and thinks. The fool is tickled with the sound of his own voice.

Of course there may be a few better towns than this, but its a cinch there are a lot of them a blamed sight worse. Buck up.

If rags continue to advance in price we'll soon be tempted to toss our editorial trousers on the market.

When a self made man continually reminds you that he is self made it is time to keep your eye on him and your hand on your pocketbook.

When you criticize the policy of this paper just bear in mind that we may be equally critical of your method of handling your own private affairs.

There has been considerable work done on our streets the past two weeks and as soon as we can get a shower of rain to settle the freshly worked dirt, our streets will be in excellent condition.

## Announcing The Opening of Our New GARAGE

We have just opened our new 50 x 100 feet brick garage and are prepared to doctor your auto, no matter what the trouble or the make. Expert mechanics to do all work.

We also handle a full line of Ford repairs, and tires, tubes, wrenches, tool boxes, etc.

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Our line of meats is complete and we can give you the very best in all lines. We want your trade and will appreciate it by giving you the best all the time.

## The City Meat Market W. L. Brown, Prop

The Clarendon News has recently purchased a new Linotype. Panhandle newspapers are all getting typesetting machines, and prospering so much that soon editors will be looked upon as prosperous business men instead of Charity seekers, as some would call them.

A road hog living near Cravat south of Centrailia, got a lesson yesterday afternoon that may do him some good, says the Sentinel. A number of automobiles from Salem had been to Mt. Vernon and were coming back by Centrailia.

When near Cravat they came up behind a buggy. The road was narrow and the machines could not get by unless the buggy would give part of the road which the driver refused to do.

When they came to a place they could get by, the man in the buggy would run his horse to beat them to another place. He kept this up for some time till a place came where he could not head the cars off.

One ran by him and then the driver proceeded to block the buggy, until another car got along side. A couple of fellows hopped out, caught the horse and made the fellow in the buggy get out and get into the car. The horse was tied to the fence and the driver of the buggy brought along to within a mile of Centrailia.

When he was set out and told to hoof it back and the last seen of him he was hoofing it lively and saying things that would not look right in print. He was fully four miles from where his buggy was left.

We might give our town an overhauling in every way this spring and shove it right up to the head of the class. If there is not enough funds in the treasury to do these things, we still have hands and willing hearts and every man could declare a business holiday occasionally and all turn out and rake this old burg from end to end. Personally, we would consider a few days thus spent as quite a lark, something of a holiday, and we don't for one minute think we are more liberal or open minded than the rest of our citizens.

Amarillo, the greatest cattle shipping station in the civilized world, ought to be an excellent place for a real packing plant—Amarillo News.

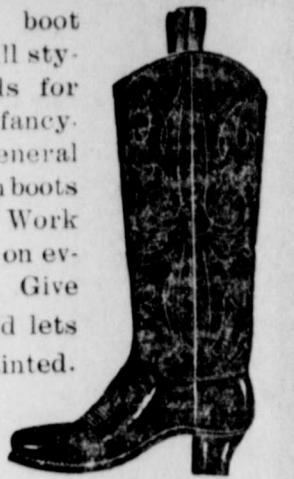
True. And not until there is a nearer market for finished stuff will Panhandle farmers do much feeding. The present long ride to market makes feeding too uncertain. But, by the way, what has become of that \$150,000. put into a packing plant in Amarillo a few years ago.

Yes by all means a packing plant is needed for the Panhandle country, but if we ever get it "Big Business" must be interested to the extent that free donations will not be needed—Panhandle Herald.

It is the man who gets out and hustles that gets the business. If you sit around in your store and expect trade to come to you, you will get some but there is a lot you won't get. Do a little hustling, start something different, tell the people about it by advertising and you will soon see the difference

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Mrs. A. Mark of Quitman is here this week visiting the W. H. Dial family and other friends. Mrs. Mark lived here two years ago and has many friends here.

E. W. Walker and sisters Misses Edna and Lillian left last week for Roswell where they go for Miss Elmas health.

Miss Kate Daughette was down from Amarillo Saturday and Sunday visiting homefolks.

B. O. Retrand who recently moved from here to White-er was here this week and renewed for the Chief.

Harry Craig left this week for Gainesville where he will join his wife. Both will return to Miami soon.

W. G. Lyons, one of our new and prosperous farmers made the Chief office a pleasant call Tuesday. Mr. Lyons has recently purchased the Jones 160 acres on the south plains which his son will take charge of. This is one of the finest quarter sections of land in this part of the country and now has wheat on it. He gets immediate possession of the place and all improvements.

M. M. Craig, Jr. is taking a vacation this week and spending his time out hunting.

Rev. C. E. Pitts of Mt. Vernon will preach at the Presbyterian church Sunday, everybody invited out.

While thawing out the pipes last Tuesday C. S. Seibers wind mill tower caught fire doing some damage to the tower and mill.

We note that Mrs. H. Tolbert is doing nicely since her operation last Monday, however she will be at the Sunatorium for two or three weeks at Amarillo. Mrs. Joe Cobb of Shawnee, Okla. is coming for the children during Mrs. Tolberts illness.

LOST: One bunch of keys yesterday somewhere over town. Reward for return to Chief office.

Ellis Wells made a business trip to the Osborne ranch Tuesday.

Mrs. Jim Johnson and Mrs. Roy Trowbridge made the round trip to Canadian last night to visit relatives who were leaving for California.

Leo Fitzgerald and Earl Chisum Sundayed in Canadian.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Smith were at home to a large crowd of their young friends last Saturday evening. The evening was spent in playing jokes such as lodge initiation, hypnotism, bachelors convention, etc. But the most sympathetic amusement the writer ever witnessed, was the 'Leap Year' contest. In this each girl had to propose to every boy there, and the pitiful plea that some of the girls put up would soften the heart of a tree, yet the boys took it as a man. A guest.

The high school will give a box supper at the auditorium Friday night for benefit of the school annual. Everybody invited to come.

W. T. Hammond left Tuesday for New Sharon, Iowa where he goes on a business trip.

Chas. E. Johnston, for the past 9 years an officer in the U. S. army, Philippine Islands, passed through Miami Tuesday enroute to Mobeetie to join his family. He has been in the executive bureau there for a number of years.

Mrs. Mat Bean and son left Tuesday for their home in Kentucky after a few weeks visit at the Williams home.

#### Stork Visits

Dr. M. L. Gunn reports the Stark at the following place this week.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ekgar Coble on the 18th, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Jones, on the 20th a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Holcomb on the 20th, a boy.

Mrs. F. S. Barron returned Sunday from California.

Mesdames Porter and L. U. Pennington and Tillman were city shoppers Saturday.

Judge C. Coffee has been chosen to hold court in Canadian next week filling the place of Judge Willis who is disqualified in several cases.

Chic 1 yr. and Daily \$1.80 Ft. Wrth Record 3m.

#### A Hustler

Walter Cook, our hustling, prosperous Jewellery and Music man sold 34 pianos and player pianos in 1915. He sold during the same time 31 victrolas, 26 sewing machines and 27 Royal Typewriters. Mr. Cook attributes his success to the prices coupled with the excellent quality of the goods handled. No business in the Panhandle has grown faster than Mr. Cooks. You will always find him talking his business. Besides the music business Mr. Cook is an expert optician, having fitted over 200 pair of glasses during 1915. He also keeps a first class watchmaker and engraver. Mr. Bill is very pleasant and accomodating and is competent to do any kind of high grade work. We are justly proud of Mr. Cooks business he is a clean man and could run only a clean business. Nothing but high class Jewellery, watches, and silverware is found in his Jewellery department. 25 different brands of pianos from \$150. up.

If we just knew as much about this navy business and preparedness as we would like too, we would take pleasure in telling the bosses just what to do. Information received is so unsatisfactory and so often false that we will just have to keep on reading and studying the situation out and see developments come.

#### CREDITS

We notice in the Miami Chief that M. M. Craig, Jr. has announced for the office of County and District Clerk of Roberts county. Mr. Craig was for several years in Wheeler county and numbers his friends by his acquaintances. He is a warm personal friend of the Sun editor and we are sorry that we can't slip over the line on election day and drop one in for him for we know him to be worthy of the office and capable of handling same as it should be handled. Wheeler Sun.

Keep your friends posted on Roberts county happenings by sending them the Miami Chief \$1.00 for 12 months

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## W H O

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# WASHINGTON GOSSIP

## Internal Revenue Secret Service Is Doing Well

WASHINGTON.—The new "secret service" of the United States bureau of internal revenue has been in full operation for several months. Placed upon a permanent basis by an executive order of the secretary of the treasury, the "flying squad" of special agents is becoming one of the most picturesque of the many government organizations charged with secret duties.



The official statement announcing the permanent organization of this body stated that the success of a temporary body of secret service agents had demonstrated the value of such a force. Through the activities of the organization the bureau has unearthed many frauds against the government which might otherwise have gone undetected. The statement continued:

"These officers will be the personal representatives of the commissioner and, in fact, will be his eyes and ears throughout the country. Violators of the law, or unfaithful employees of the government, if there be any, will not know when the eyes of the commissioner are upon them.

"These agents will be sent into any part of the country where the commissioner has reason to believe that fraud is being committed which it is impossible for the regular revenue officers to uncover. Revenue officers are largely known in their districts, and a strange, unidentified person may be able to detect irregularities where regular officers may fail.

"This action reduces to permanent form the temporary policy which has been followed and which has unearthed numerous frauds on the revenues. It was through the work of a number of similar agents temporarily appointed that the vast oleomargarine frauds were brought to light. The organization of this force is no reflection on the regular internal revenue force, but is intended to promote the general welfare and efficiency of the service."

## Introduction Broker Busy in National Capitol

SENATORS and members of the house have been discussing with surprise, not to mention indignation, a report that an "introduction broker" has been doing a thriving business in the capitol since the beginning of the present session. As in cases of the numerous petty grafters who infest the capitol, it has been found extremely difficult to catch this man "with the goods."



Quotations on introductions, according to the gossip, were \$25 for a senator and \$5 for a member of the house. The rates were varied in accordance with the influence of the senator or representative to whom the introduction was sought and the poignancy of the desire of the person seeking the introduction. It is understood that a cabinet officer may be met in this formal way for \$100, although contracts of this character are taken, it is said, on a contingent fee of smaller proportions, because cabinet officers are not so available as members of congress.

This operator was doing very well until he tried to "take in too much territory." He agreed to introduce a client to a certain public man. They reached the man and when the introduction was accomplished, the public man turned to the introducer and asked him his name and whom he represented. This made the client suspicious and he subsequently told all about the "broker."

Washington has a number of characters of this type, some of whom work among the politicians and others among society folk. As in every other city where society plays a big part, there are innumerable society brokers in Washington. They work a bit more cleverly than the "introduction broker" of the capitol, but they work more slowly.

## Old Glory Now Being "Made in America" of Cotton

OLD GLORY, to which the patriotic American doffs his hat as typifying the spirit of America, is in about nine cases out of ten not a domestic article. For ever since Betsy Ross made her first American flag, the official emblem of the country and all its auxiliary banners that fly from thousands of public buildings, army posts and ships' masts have been made of woolen bunting—practically all of it imported.

In the future, however, a large proportion of the government's flags will be "made in America," from the planting of the fiber to the sewing of the last stitch in the completed banner. This is assured by the action of the general supply committee of the government in listing specifications for cotton flags side by side with those for woolen bunting which has heretofore appeared alone; and by the announcement of the treasury department, one of the heaviest users of flags among Uncle Sam's family of departments, that it will in the future use cotton flags almost exclusively.

The action of the supply committee is not one of patriotism alone. When the European war put a stop to the exportation of cotton and there was agitation for putting the South's staple crop to new uses at home the committee became interested in the possibilities of cotton flags, but determined on rigid tests before any action should be taken. Cotton flags were therefore made up and placed on several of the revenue cutters, and samples of cotton-flag goods were sent to the United States bureau of standards for tests. Both kinds of tests were highly favorable for cotton. The flags stood the strain of constant use in all kinds of weather as well as flags of wool, the report from the revenue cutter service said.

## White House Mannequins in the National Museum

RECENTLY there has been placed on view in the National museum a series of lay figures representing the mistresses of the White House under successive administrations running back to Martha Washington, who appears in a gown she used to wear, seated in one of her own chairs, by the side of a Mount Vernon table.

For a modern contrast, Mrs. Grover Cleveland is attired in a wonderful frock of white silk sprinkled over with full-blown roses, the arm loops and upper edge of the corsage decorated with big butterflies of gold and glittering sequins—about a dozen of the gorgeous insects in all, one of them adorning the bosom.

Recent visitors to the museum, as might be expected, find this exhibit remarkably interesting. But sometimes they are critical of the likenesses of the White House ladies. While admitting that many of them are good, they think that others are not first rate.

Back of all this there is a real joke, for, be it understood, the faces of the White House mistresses are not meant to be likenesses at all. In fact their faces are all the same face, the original of which is the face of a classical statue.

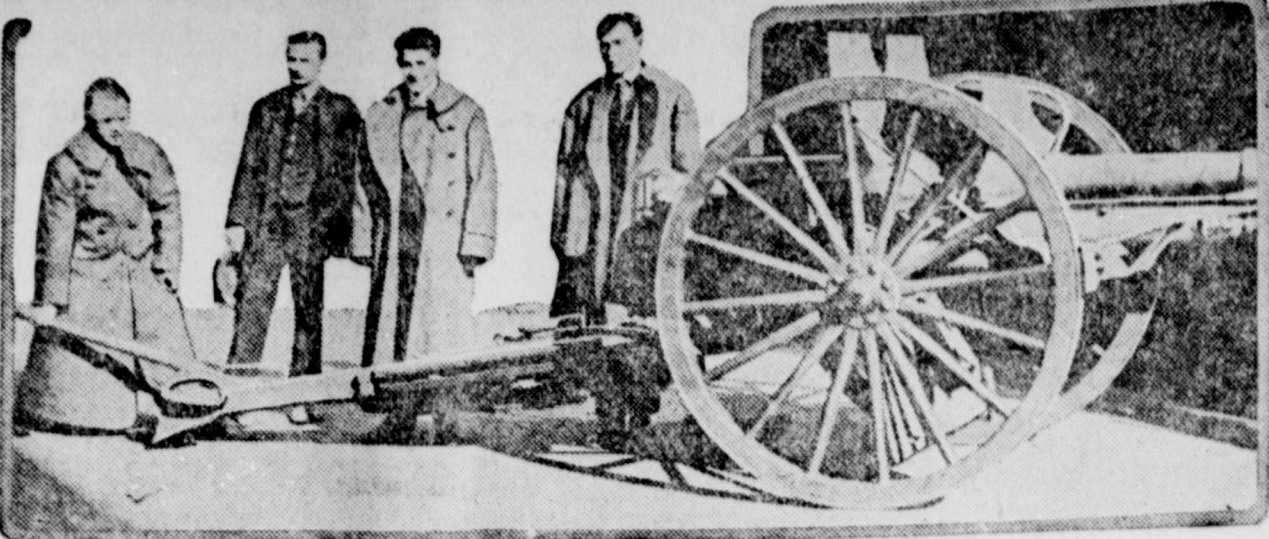
So far as the features are concerned, Martha Washington, Mrs. Cleveland Mrs. Taft and all the rest are one woman. The important difference is in the arrangement of the hair.

The idea of the exhibit is not to offer a series of portraits of the women concerned, but to show the costumes they wore—these, as a collection affording a most useful study of phases of fashion in feminine attire as they have succeeded one another since the days of the revolution.

All of the gowns that adorn the lay figures were actually worn by the White House mistresses represented; and even the minor accessories, such as fans, handkerchiefs, tables and china, were personal belongings of the ladies themselves.



## YALE STUDENTS ORGANIZE A FIELD BATTERY



Yale has completed its military preparedness by organizing a battery in which nearly five hundred undergraduates have enlisted. It will be equipped with three-inch field pieces, which are similar in construction to the famous French 75-millimeter gun. The first gun has just arrived and has been added to the equipment of the battery. Its maximum range is four miles, and it cost, with two limbers and a caisson, \$2,500. The Yale battalion consists of four companies of 138 men each. The government will supply each of these four companies with four of the above three-inch field pieces, making a battery of 16 guns in all.

## ICE VIGIL KEPT UP

### American Vessels Patrol Danger Zone in Atlantic.

Lesson of the Titanic is Not Forgotten Despite Submarine Disasters—Scout Ships Send Wireless Warnings Daily.

Washington.—Horrors have multiplied since the Titanic, plying westward on her maiden voyage, struck "pan ice" off the Grand Banks of Newfoundland and sank in four hours. The Lusitania, the Arabic, the Ancona, and other ships by the score have paid the toll of accident and war, until, now, there are added to the lives lost upon the Titanic thousands more, including hundreds of Americans, who have perished recently in the North Atlantic.

The Titanic carried down 1,500 souls, the Lusitania 1,100. In death-coast ice holds the record over war, over fire, over collision, and over hurricane. Just as the war in a measure forced development of methods of protecting the commercial shipping of the Atlantic from submarines, the Titanic disaster forced the development of methods of protecting these main arteries of world-trade and travel from ice.

Ice patrol in the North Atlantic is one of the principal duties of the United States coast guard as reorganized, expanded, and transformed into a military service under the present administration. It is a task which was formally assigned to the United States by the International Maritime Conference at London soon after the Titanic disaster.

The duty of providing the patrol devolves solely upon the United States, though the expense is pro-rated among the nations using the North Atlantic in the proportion of passenger travel by nationalities. The cost for the fiscal year 1914 amounted to \$85,799, of which France, Germany, and the United States are obligated to pay 15 per cent, or \$12,869.88 each.

## MRS. SETH BARTON FRENCH



Mrs. French recently gave a lecture at Hot Springs, Va., on the work of the French Red Cross, primarily arranged as an honor for President Wilson and his bride, but they felt they could not attend because it would not be consistently neutral to attend an entertainment devoted exclusively to one side of the war.

## REAL DOGS OF WAR

### Scotty Allan Took 108 From Alaska to France.

Gives Interesting Description of Trip to War Trenches With His "Huskies"—Says French Soldiers Like Them.

Montreal.—"Scotty" Allan, the world's champion driver of Eskimo racing dogs, whose thrilling exploits in the famous 400-mile winter races over the frozen wilds of Alaska have been a feature of life in the Northland for years, arrived in Montreal from France and is on his way to California, where his family are spending the winter, two of his daughters being in college at Berkeley.

"Scotty" has capped all his former exploits by conveying to the firing line 400 of his famous malamutes from Alaska and Labrador without losing a dog.

"Although I won't be there this spring," he said, "and although I have taken some of the best racing dogs in Alaska to the fighting front in France, the dog races in Alaska will go on just the same, for there are more dogs where these that I took across the Atlantic came from.

"If I went back home to Nome now I would have to take a chance on getting a dog team to take me about thirteen hundred miles."

Mr. Allan is in the hardware business in Nome.

"I sold only 27 of my own dogs to the French government," he said, "and bought the remainder, making a hundred and eight dogs in all, from the Eskimos."

"These were loaded on special cars and guarded by soldiers all the way till we came to Quebec. Here our pack was increased to four hundred and forty by a consignment of other Eskimo dogs from the Lake St. John region and from Clark City, Labrador, till we sailed on the steamer Pomorian with four hundred and forty of them.

"On the way from Nome to Quebec I fed the Alaskan dogs on salmon, their natural food, but afterward we cooked food for all of them and had four and a half tons of dog biscuits made up specially for them to keep them from getting hungry on their way across.

"Sleighs and harness were brought from Alaska for the 108 dogs, but the equipment for the other 300 was all made in Quebec before the expedition started.

"I had five men with me in addition to Kenneth Mart to take care of them, and although the weather was bad at times, when the waves rolled over the deck and broke some of the kennels, we did not lose a single one.

rule, pan ice, or low lying, heavy, thick sheets, and the first of the large icebergs. From March 15 until June 15 the bergs, the pan ice, and "growlers," (small bergs,) threaten the transatlantic steamship lines.

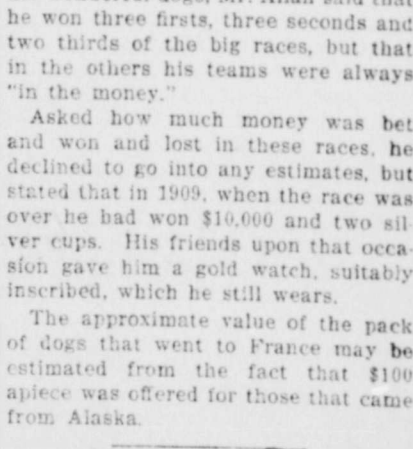
Two staunch cutters are assigned by the coast guard to ice patrol duty from February to July. Each cutter patrols the ice regions for a continuous period of fifteen days. The cutters make their base at Halifax, N. S., and it is a three-day run from Halifax to the tail of the Grand Banks, or the southeastern fringe of the huge shoal in the ocean which lies off Cape Race, where their work begins.

The ship lanes from Boston and New York to all European ports pass just below the tail of the Grand Banks and, upon the eastward voyage, turn abruptly to the northeast just a little southeast of the tail of the Grand Banks. It is for a distance of approximately a hundred miles on either side of the point of this turn that the chief danger lies.

Arrived in the danger zone, the patrol boat searches for the large bergs, icefields, and growlers, finds their position and rate of drift, and notifies all approaching steamships of these facts in detail. At six o'clock every evening the ocean, so to speak, is hushed for the United States' ice warnings; that is, the use of the air for wireless is reserved by common consent to the ice scouts for half an hour. Messages are dispatched to all vessels plying these seas giving the exact location of the southernmost ice and of every dangerous berg, pan, or growler sighted.

## CONFERRING THE RED HAT

This photograph was taken in the Beatification hall of the Vatican at Rome during the ceremonies attending the elevation of four new cardinals. Pope Benedict is seen giving the red hat to Cardinal Giamini.



## TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

The receipts of the Terrell postoffice for December, 1915, were \$2,036.80, as compared to \$1,769.76 for the same month of the previous year, a gain of \$267.10.

Denton postoffice receipts for December showed an increase of 20.87 per cent over December of last year. The receipts were \$2,530.48, as compared with \$2,093.45 for 1914.

The school district at Union Grove in Bell county has voted to increase its school tax to 50c on the \$100, to take advantage of the state aid provided by the last legislature.

The year 1915 was an unusual one in many respects in business circles in McKinney. All merchants seemed to have done a splendid business and there was not a bankrupt during the year.

A factory branch of the French Battery and Carbon company of Madison, Wis., has been established in Dallas, operating under a state permit, carrying a stock of between \$35,000 and \$40,000.

The Sulphur Springs city commission has let the contract for a watch tower which will be erected on the site of the old standpipe. Its holding capacity will be 250,000 gallons. The contract price is \$15,000.

The materials are at Denton for the extension of about 4,000 feet in the sewer system and an order has been placed for materials for an extension of about 7,000 feet in the water mains.

The monthly report of the county treasurer shows Dallas county had a balance on hand Jan. 1 of \$571,952.23. The balance on hand Dec. 1 was \$528,069.89 and the receipts for December were \$101,244.01.

Sherman poultry dealers state that the business for 1915 is by far the largest in the history of Grayson county and that approximately \$275,000 has been paid to the farmers and poultry raisers of the county during the year.

Jim Malone, a negro farmer living near Terrell, was killed by a tree falling on him. While he was cutting trees, a tree started to fall and he started to run for safety when his feet became entangled in some vines, tripping him under the falling tree.

The Petersburg and Russellville common school districts have been annexed to the McKinney city schools and a new brick building will be erected to accommodate this addition. McKinney now has a \$75,000 high school building, two modern brick ward schools and a central brick school.

Road district No. 2 of Hill county, of which Itasca is the center, thinks it has solved the question of building the greatest amount of road possible for the money. An enthusiastic meeting was held, in which plans of general co-operation among town and country people, the road commission and the board of trade were outlined and adopted.

Setting forth the various activities of the Federal Reserve bank of Dallas during the first full year of its operation, the first annual report of the bank, dated Dec. 31, 1915, has been made public. The report emphasizes the steps taken by the federal reserve bank to increase its usefulness to the member banks of Texas and to improve the efficiency of its service.

Former Gov. T. M. Campbell of Texas, has set at rest all doubts as to his plans politically by announcing for the United States senate, the nomination to be determined at the primaries in 1916.

San Angelo now has a prospect of a canning factory. A prominent citizen of Michigan is delighted with what he has seen of West Texas and will establish a canning factory if farmers can be found who will agree to raise tomatoes and corn.

Mining men of Texas and the southwest are watching northern Mexico now for one of the most phenomenal mining developments in the history of the southwest. With the Carranza government in charge, peace assured and the ban lifted on all mining and development enterprises, hundreds of American mining men are returning to Mexico to resume operations on extensive mining properties or to develop new ones which have never been touched because of the revolutions.

Ten head of horses, including a stallion and an old race horse, 10 to Bed, were burned on the farm of Mrs. Maggie DeBeque, west of Fort Worth. It is thought the fire was started from lightning.

The grip has caused the death of two inmates of the state confederate home—Fleeting Scott Pressley, aged 85 years, and Robert Franklin Gibson, 80 years old. The interment of both veterans was made in the state cemetery.



# THE BALL OF FIRE

By GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESTER and LILLIAN CHESTER

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## CHAPTER I.

### No Place for Sentiment.

Silence pervaded the dim old aisles of the Market Square church; the winter sun, streaming through the clerestory windows, cast on the floor and on the vacant benches, patches of ruby and sapphire, of emerald and of topaz, these seeming only to accentuate the dimness and the silence.

In that silence the vestry door creaked, it opened wide, and it was as if a vision had suddenly been set there! Bathed in the golden light from the transept window, brown-haired, brown-eyed, rosy-cheeked, stood a girl who might have been one of the slender stained-glass virgins come to life, the golden light flaming the edges of her hair into an aureole. She stood timidly, peering into the dimness, and on her beautifully curved lips was a half questioning smile.

"The only reason we'd sell to Allison would be that we could get more money than by the normal return from our investment."

"I've allowed two million for the profit of Market Square church in dealing with me," stated Allison, again proffering the envelope which no one made a move to take. "I will not pay a dollar more."

W. T. Chisholm was suddenly reminded that the vestry had a moral obligation in the matter under discussion. He was president of the Majestic Trust company, and never forgot that fact.

"To what use would you devote the property of Market Square church?" he gravely asked.

"The erection of a terminal station for all the municipal transportation in New York," answered Allison; "subways, elevateds, surface cars, traction lines! The proposition should have the hearty co-operation of every citizen."

"Uncle Jim," she called, and there was some quality in her low voice which was strangely attractive, and disturbing.

"By George, Gail, I forgot that you were to come for me!" said Jim Sargent, rising from amid the group of men in the dim transept. "We'll be through in a few minutes. Allison, you were about to prove something to us, I think."

"Prove is the right word," agreed the stockily built man who had evidently been addressing the vestry. He was acutely conscious of the presence of Gail, as they all were. "My recollections suggest that this is a matter of sentiment. You are anxious to have fifty million dollars to begin the erection of a cathedral, but I came here to talk business, and that only. Granting you the full normal appreciation of your Vedder Court property, and the normal increase of your aggregate rentals, you cannot have, at the end of ten years, a penny over forty-two millions. I am prepared to offer you, in cash, a sum which will, at three and a half per cent, and in ten years, produce that exact amount. To this I add two million."

"How much did you allow for increase in the value of the property?" asked Nicholas Van Ploon, whose only knowledge for several generations had been centered on this one question. The original Van Ploon had bought a vast tract of Manhattan for a dollar an acre, and, by that stroke of towering genius, had placed the family of Van Ploon, for all eternity, beyond the necessity of thought.

For answer, Allison passed him the envelope upon which he had been figuring, checking off an item as he did so. He noticed that Gail's lips twitched with suppressed mirth. She turned abruptly to look back at the striking transept window, and the three vestrymen in the rear pew immediately sat straighter. Willis Cunningham, who was a bachelor, hastily smoothed his Vandyke. He was so rich, by inheritance, that money meant nothing to him.

"Not enough," grunted Van Ploon, handing back the envelope and twisting again in the general direction of Gail.



And This Was a Vestry Meeting.

"Ample," retorted Allison. "You can't count anything for the buildings. While I don't deny that they yield the richest income of any property in the city, they are the most decrepit tenements in New York. They'll fall down in less than ten years. You have them propped up now."

Jim Sargent glanced solicitously at Gail, but she did not seem to be bored; not a particle!

"They are passed by the building inspector annually," pompously stated W. T. Chisholm, his mutton chops turning pink from the reddening of the skin beneath. He had spent a lifetime in resenting indignities before they reached him.

"Building inspectors change," insinuated Allison. "Politics is very uncertain."

Four indignant vestrymen jerked forward to answer that insult.

"Gentlemen, this is a vestry meeting," sternly reproved the Rev. Smith Boyd, advancing a step, and seeming to feel the need of a gavel. His rich, deep barytone explained why he was rector of the richest church in the world.

Gail's eyes were dancing, but otherwise she was demureness itself as she studied, in turns, the members of the richest vestry in the world. She estimated that eight of the gentlemen then present were almost close enough to the danger line to swear. They numbered just eight, and they were most interesting! And this was a vestry meeting!

"The topic of debate was money, I believe," suggested Rufus Manning, measuring his sense of humor from somewhere in his beard. He was the tallest member. "Suppose we return to it. It is Allison's offer worth consideration?"

"Why?" inquired the nasal voice of clean-shaven old Joseph G. Cook, who was sarcastic in money matters. The Standard Cereal company had attained colossal dimensions through real estate, and he had invented the de-

"Snow!" exclaimed Gail in delight, turning up her face to the delicate flakes. "And the sun shining. That means snow tomorrow!"

Allison helped her into his big, picturesque-looking runabout, and tucked her in as if she were some fragile hot-house plant which might freeze with the first cold draft.

"The pretty white snow is no friend of mine," he assured her, as he took the wheel and headed toward the avenue. He looked calculatingly into the sky. "This particular downfall is likely to cost the Municipal Transportation company several thousand dollars."

## CHAPTER II.

### "Why?"

"Then there's still a commercial opportunity," she lightly returned. "I feel quite friendly to money, but it's so intimate here. I've heard nothing else since I came on Monday."

"Even in church," he chuckled. "You delivered a reckless shock to Rev. Smith Boyd's vestry."

"Well," she demanded. "Didn't he ask my opinion?"

"I don't think he'll make the mistake again," and Allison took the corner into the avenue at a speed which made Gail, unused to bare inches of leeway, class Allison as a demon driver. The tall traffic policeman around whose upraised arm they had circled smiled a frank tribute to her beauty, and she felt relieved. She had cherished some feeling that they should be arrested.

"However, even a church must discuss money," went on Allison, as if he had just decided a problem to which he had given weighty thought. "Fifty millions isn't mere money. It's a class. It's criminal wealth. If no man can make a million dollars honestly, how can a church?"

Allison swerved out into the center of the avenue and passed a red limousine before he answered. He had noticed that everybody in the street stared into his car, and it flattered him immensely to have so pretty a girl with him.

"The wealth of Market Square church is natural and normal," he explained. "It arises partly from the increase in value of property which was donated when practically worthless. Judicious investment is responsible for the balance."

"Oh, bother!" and Gail glanced at him impatiently. "Your natural impulse is to defend wealth because it is wealth; but you know that Market Square church never should have had a surplus to invest. The money should have been spent in charity. Why are they saving it?"

Allison began to feel the same respect for Gail's mental processes which he would for a man's, though when he looked at her with this thought in mind, she was so thoroughly feminine that she puzzled him more than ever.

"Market Square church has an ambition worthy of its vestry," he informed her, bringing his runabout to rest, with a swift glide, just an accurate three inches behind the taxi in front of them. "When it has fifty million dollars, it proposes to start building the most magnificent cathedral on American soil."

"Why?" she pondered. "Will a fifty million dollar cathedral save souls in proportion to the amount of money invested?"

Allison enjoyed that query thoroughly.

"You must ask Rev. Smith Boyd," he chuckled. "You talk like a heathen!"

"Oh, no," returned Gail gravely, and with a new tone. "I pray every morning and every night, and God hears me." The note of reverence in her voice was a thing to which Allison gave instant respect. "I have no quarrel with religion. Why, Mr. Allison, I love the church." Her eyes were glowing, the same eyes which

had closed in satirical mischief. Now they were rapt. "What a stunning collier!" she suddenly exclaimed.

Allison, who had followed her with admiring attention, his mind accompanying hers in eager leaps, laughed in relief. After all, she was a girl—and what a girl! The exhilaration of the drive, and of the snow beating in her face, and of the animated conversation, had set the clear skin of her face aglow with color. Her deep red lips, exquisitely curved and half parted, displayed a row of dazzling white teeth, and the elbow which touched his was magnetic. Allison refused to believe that he was forty-five!

"You're fond of colliers," he guessed, surprised to find himself with an eager interest in the likes and dislikes of a young girl. It was a new experience.

"I adore them!" she enthusiastically declared. "Back home, I have one of every marking but a pure white."

There was something tender and wistful in the tone of that "back home." No doubt she had hosts of friends and admirers there, possibly a favored suitor. It was quite likely. A girl such as Gail Sargent could hardly escape it. If there was a favored suitor Allison rather pitied him for Gail was in the city of strong men busy with an entirely new and strange group of thoughts. Allison turned into the park, and Gail uttered an exclamation of delight as the fresh, keen air whipped in her face. The snow was like a filmy white veil against the bare trees, and enough of it had clung, by now, to outline, with silver pointing, the lacework of branches. On the turf, still green from the open winter, it lay in thin white patches, and squirrels, clad in their sleek winter garments, were already scampering to their beds, crossing the busy drive with the adroitness of accomplished metropolitan pedestrians, their bushy tails hopping behind them in ungainly loops.

The pair in the runabout were silent, for the east drive at this hour was thronged with outward-bound machines, and the roadway was slippery with the new-fallen snow. Steady of nerve, keen of eye, firm of hand! Gail watched the alert figure of Allison, tensely and yet easily motionless in the seat beside her.

Perhaps feeling the steady gaze, Allison turned to her suddenly, and for a moment the gray eyes and the brown ones looked questioningly into each other, then there leaped from the man to the woman a something which held her gaze a full second longer than she would have wished.

"Air's great," he said with a smile.

"Glorious!" she agreed. "I don't want to go in."

"Don't," he promptly advised her. "That's a simple enough solution," and her laugh, in the snow-laden air, reminded him, in one of those queer flashes of memory, of a little string of sleighbells he had owned as a youngster. "However, I promised Cousin Lucile."

"We'll stop at the house long enough to tell her you're busy," suggested Allison, as eager as a boy.

"Let's!" cried Gail, and, with a laugh which he had discarded with his first business promotion Allison threw out another notch of speed, and whirled from the Seventy-second street entrance up the avenue to the proper turning, and half way down the block, where he made a swift but smooth stop, bringing the step with marvelous accuracy to within an inch of the curb.

She flashed at him a smile and ran up the steps. She turned to him again as she waited for the bell to be answered, and nodded to him with frank comradery. Two vivacious-looking

thought, they were neither one aware of it. They were glad that they were just living, and moving swiftly in the open air, glad that it was snowing, glad that the light was beginning to fade, that there were other vehicles in the park, that the world was such a bright and happy place; and they were quite pleased, too, to be together.

It was still light, though the electric lamps were beginning to flare up through the thin snow veil, when they rounded a rocky drive, and came in view of a little lookout house perched on a hill.

"Oh!" called Gail, involuntarily putting her hand on his arm. "I want to go up there!"

The work of Edward E. Allison was well-nigh perfection. He stopped the runabout exactly at the center of the pathway, and was out and on Gail's side of the car with the agility of a youngster after a robin's egg. He helped her to alight, and would have helped her up the hill with great pleasure, but she was too nimble and too eager for that, and was in the lookout house several steps ahead of him.

When she was quite finished with the view, and turned and went down the hill, one of her tiny French heels slid, and she might have fallen, had it not been for the ironlike arm which he threw back to support her. For just an instant she was thrown fairly in his embrace, with his arm about her waist, and her weight upon his breast; and, in that instant, the fire which had been smoldering in him all afternoon burst into flame. With a mighty repression he resisted the impulse to crush her to him, and handed her to the equilibrium which she instinctively sought, though the arm trembled which had been pressed about her. His heart sang, as he helped her into the machine, and sprang in beside her. He felt a savage joy in his strength as he started the car and felt the wheel under his hard grip. He was young younger than he had ever been in his boyhood; stronger, stronger than he had ever been in his youth. What worlds he might conquer now with this new blood racing through his veins. It was as if he had been suddenly thrust into the fires of eternal life, and endowed with all the vast, irresistible force of creation!

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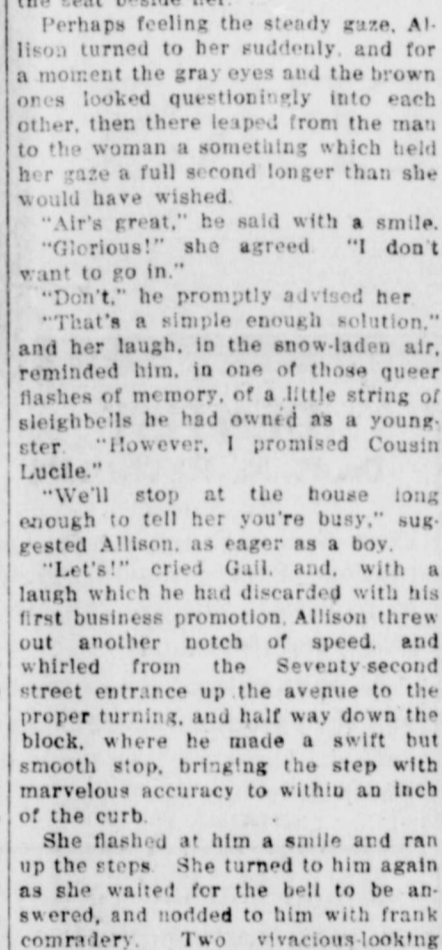
**REASON FOR HIS BRAGGING**

British Soldier Felt He Had to Lie About His Wonderful Deeds in the Field.

An officer was surprised one day when searching the letters of his detachment to read in one of them a passage that was something like this: "We have just got out of shell-fire for the first time for two months. The Germans were determined to take our field bakery, but, by gee! we would not let them. We killed them in thousands."

This was a letter from one of the bakers to his wife. None of the detachment had been a mile from the base, and they had never seen a German, except as a prisoner. My friend knew the writer well, and could not help (although it was none of his business) asking him why he told such terrible lies to his poor wife. The soldier said:

"It's quite true what you say, but it's like this, sir. When my wife and the wives of the other men in the place where I live are talking it all over in the morning I couldn't think to let her have nothing to say and the others all bragging about what their men had done with the Germans. That's the way of it, sir."—Manchester Guardian.



Gail Watched the Alert Figure of Allison, Tensely Motionless Beside Her.

George Evidently Not a Caruso. Her son had enlisted and she was a proud old woman as she harangued a knot of friends on the village street. "Garge always done 'is duty by me, 'e 'as, an' now 'e's doin' 'is duty by king an' country," she said. "I feel right down sorry for them Germans, to think of 'im goin' into battle with 'is rifle in 'is 'and and 'is 'a Long Way to Tipperary' on 'is lips." "Poor Germans, indeed!" exclaimed one of the audience. "Pity's wasted on 'em! 'Praps 'aven't 'eard of their cruelties?" "Praps 'aven't," agreed the old lady. "An' 'praps 'aven't 'eard Garge sing."—London Mail.

**MOVIES AID PHYSICIANS.**

The movies have invaded even the sacred field of science. The latest up-to-the-minute discovery is the peculiar value of the movies in diagnosis. It was made several weeks ago by osteopathic physicians and will be demonstrated first at the world's congress of osteopathic physicians, in Portland, Ore., the first week in August.

At a meeting of osteopathic physicians of the district, held at the home of Dr. Clara U. Little, Dr. Chester W. Swope, a member of the board of trustees of the national association, explained how Dr. J. Ivan Dufur, professor of nervous diseases of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, had become the latest hero of the movies. For more than four hours Doctor Dufur and the movie men were locked in a room with more than forty insane epileptics, waiting to snap just the right kind of fits. They also had many harrowing experiences.

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**Function of the Hammer.**

"Why do you knock so? Why are you always using the hammer?"

"I do it to rivet attention, my boy!"

**SALTS IF BACKACHE OR KIDNEYS TROUBLE YOU**

Eat Less Meat If Your Kidneys Aren't Acting Right or If Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers You.

When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it generally means you have been eating too much meat, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and loggy. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them like you relieve your bowels; removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

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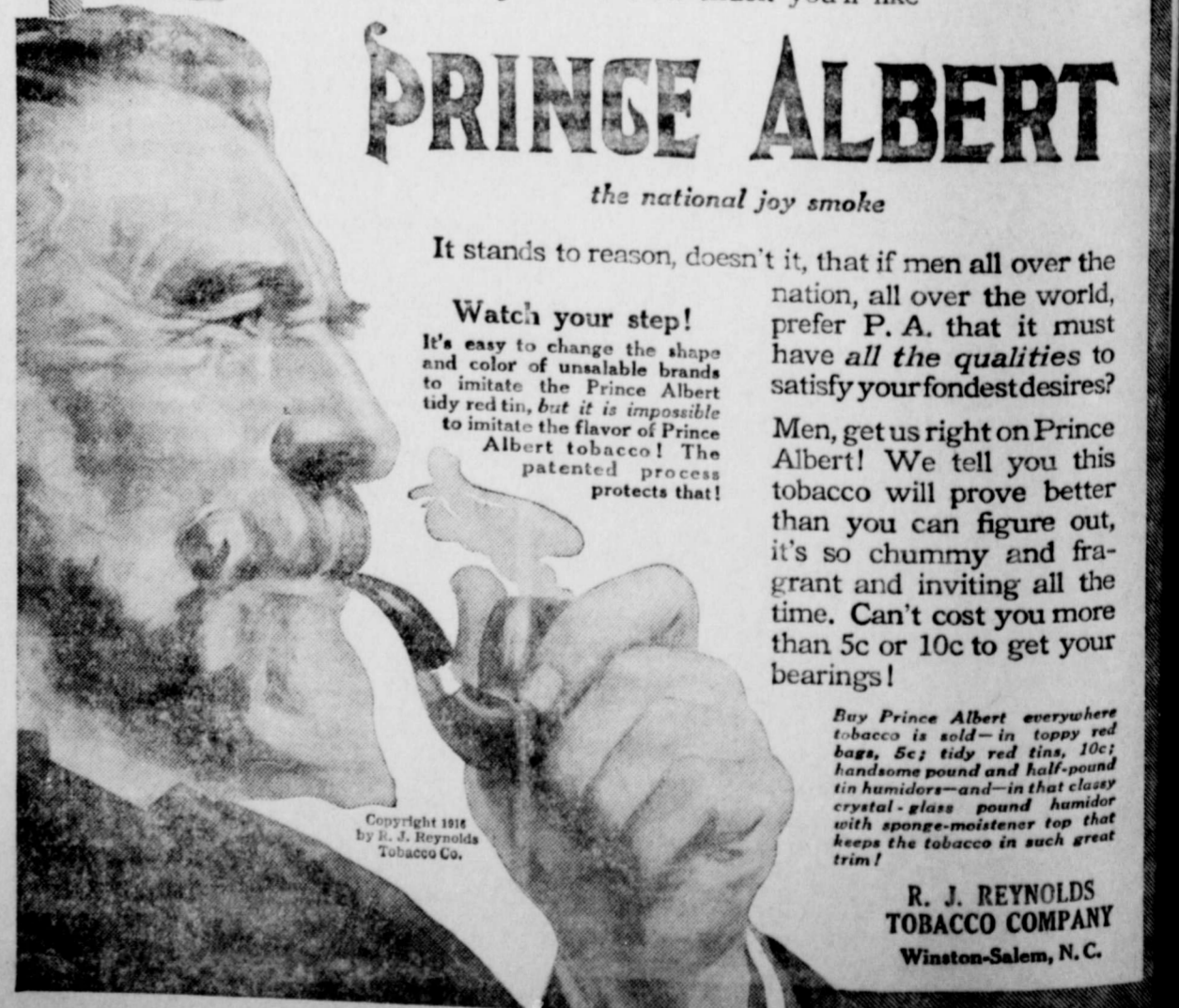
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